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SUBJECT: GREECE/NATO: RATIFICATION OF CROATIA AND ALBANIA  
NATO ACCESSION COMPLETED

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11. The Government of Greece has completed the process to ratify the NATO accession of Croatia and Albania. Law 3753 -- the Parliament's ratification of the accession protocols for Croatia and Albania -- was published in the "Official Gazette" and became official on March 4, 2009. MFA sources have confirmed that the instruments of ratification are being sent to the Greek Embassy in Washington on March 9. We understand that the Greek Embassy in Washington will be in touch with the Department to deposit the instruments of ratification this week.  
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